

I understand the FCC is currently considering a federal "Do Not Call" Telephone Privacy law. However, the current proposal would allow businesses to continue making telephone calls to anyone they consider an existing customer. This creates a serious weakness to the proposed law, and severely damages consumers privacy.

It is also my understanding that this federal law would preempt Indiana's much stronger law which has proven quite effective. Prior to the enactment of Indiana's "Do Not Call" Telephone Privacy law I received an average of a half-dozen telemarketing calls per day. I cringed everytime the phone rang and often would not answer it. Since I registered with Indiana's Do Not Call list I receive less than one (1) call per month. I can now answer my phone without barking; I no longer hate hearing my phone ring.

Though I would prefer that telephone privacy law remain within the domain of the individual states, if a Federal law is enacted it should be as strong as Indiana's, not weaker.